

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended)

An apparatus to process an audio/video program, comprising:

a preferences module configured to

coordinate specification, by a first user, of multiple, first presentation settings with respective ones of multiple, first portions of said audio/video program and with a first attribute of said first user, and

coordinate specification, by a second user, of multiple, second presentation settings with respective ones of multiple, second portions of said audio/video program and with a second attribute of said second user; and

a presentation module coupled to said preferences module, said presentation module being configured to,

during a subsequent playback session of said audio/video program for said first user,

based on said first attribute of said first user, retrieve said first presentation settings for said first user, and

selectively apply said first presentation settings to respective ones of said first portions of said audio/video program, such that said first presentation settings are synchronized with respective ones of said first portions of said audio/video program during said subsequent playback session for said first user, and

during a subsequent playback session of said audio/video program for said second user,

based on said second attribute of said second user, retrieve said second presentation settings for said second user, and

selectively apply said second presentation settings to respective ones of said second portions of said audio/video program, such that said second presentation settings are synchronized with respective ones of said second portions of said audio/video program during said subsequent playback session for said second user.

Claim 2 (previously presented)

The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said preferences module is configured to coordinate said specification of said first presentation settings with respective ones of said first portions of said audio/video program based on multiple, first time stamps associated with said first portions of said audio/video program, and said preferences module is configured to coordinate said specification of said second presentation settings with respective ones of said second portions of said audio/video program based on multiple, second time stamps associated with said second portions of said audio/video program.

Claim 3 (previously presented)

The apparatus of claim 1, wherein at least one of said first presentation settings and said second presentation settings corresponds to one of an audio setting and a display setting.

Claim 4 (original)

The apparatus of claim 3, wherein said audio setting corresponds to one of an audio channel setting, an audio field setting, an audio format setting, a dynamic range setting, a language setting, a pitch setting, a playback speed setting, a tone setting, and a volume setting.

Claim 5 (original)

The apparatus of claim 3, wherein said display setting corresponds to one of a brightness setting, a black and white setting, a contrast setting, a color setting, a fast motion setting, a flicker setting, a gamma setting, a hue setting, a letterbox setting, a non-square zoom setting, a pan and scan setting, a pillar-box setting, a pixel blurring setting, a pixel sharpening setting, a red-eye setting, a slow motion setting, and a zoom setting.

Claim 6 (previously presented)

The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said preferences module is configured to coordinate storage of said first presentation settings and said first attribute of said first user, and said preferences module is configured to coordinate storage of said second presentation settings and said second attribute of said second user.

Claim 7 (previously presented)

The apparatus of claim 6, further comprising:

a memory coupled to said preferences modules and said presentation module, said memory being configured to store said first presentation settings and said first attribute of said first user and said second presentation settings and said second attribute of said second user.

Claim 8 (currently amended)

The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said preferences module is configured to coordinate said specification of said first presentation settings with respective ones of said first portions of said audio/video program based on input by said first user during an initial playback session of said audio/video program for said first user, such that said first presentation settings are synchronized with respective ones of said first portions of said audio/video program.

Claim 9 (currently amended)

The apparatus of claim 8, wherein said preferences module is configured to coordinate said specification of said second presentation settings with respective ones of said second portions of said audio/video program based on input by said second user during an initial playback session of said audio/video program for said second user, such that said second presentation settings are synchronized with respective ones of said second portions of said audio/video program.

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